**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

TERRANCE FOWLER,	)	
Petitioner,	)	Civil Action No. 14-151 Erie
v.	)	
JON FISHER, et al.,	)	
Respondents.	)	

MEMORANDUM ORDER

This habeas action filed by Terrance Fowler was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Susan Paradise Baxter for a report and recommendation in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Rule 72 of the Local Rules for Magistrate Judges. The Magistrate Judge issued a Report and Recommendation ("R&R") [ECF No. 13], in which she recommended that Fowler's petition for a writ of habeas corpus be denied and that a certificate of appealability be denied.

Fowler filed Objections to the R&R. [ECF No. 17]. Where, as here, Objections have been filed, the Court is required to make a *de novo* determination as to those portions of the R&R to which objections were made. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Accordingly, after a *de novo* review of the petition and documents in this case, together with the R&R and Objections thereto, the following order is entered:

AND NOW, this 18th day of **December, 2015**, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the petition for a writ of habeas corpus is **DENIED** and a certificate of appealability is **DENIED**. The R&R of Magistrate Judge Baxter [ECF No. 13], is adopted as the opinion of the Court. The Clerk of Court is directed to close this case.

s/ Terrence F. McVerry
Terrence F. McVerry
Senior United States District Judge

cc: All parties of record
Susan Paradise Baxter,
U.S. Magistrate Judge